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Applicants: Filed:

Mitsuaki OSHIMA et al. December 7, 2001

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Paul E. Callahan

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# PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.181 FOR CONSIDERATION OF SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Applicants filed a Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement on April 24, 2008. A copy of the Supplemental IDS filed on April 24, 2008 along with a copy of the Electronic Acknowledgement Receipt is enclosed as evidence of receipt by the USPTO.

The Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement filed on April 24, 2008, although properly filed, has not been considered.

The Examiner is respectfully requested to consider the references enclosed with the originally filed IDS and to return the initialed Form PTO/SB/08a to the undersigned.

It is respectfully requested that issuance of the above-identified application be

suspended until the IDS has been considered.

Respectfully Submitted

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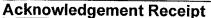
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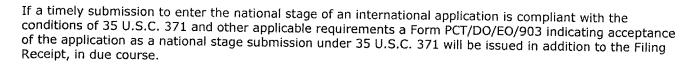
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### SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98 and to the duty of disclosure set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, the Examiner in charge of the above-identified application is requested to consider and make of record the reference listed on the PTO/SB/08a submitted herewith. A copy of each reference listed on the PTO/SB/08a, other than U.S. patents, is enclosed.

Although the information submitted herewith may be "material" to the Examiner's consideration of the subject application, this submission is not intended to constitute an admission that such information is "prior art" as to the claimed invention.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(g), the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement shall not be construed to mean that a search has been made.

European reference EP 0 210 629 is provided in the English language.

This reference was cited by a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application. MPEP Section 609(a)iii, second paragraph.

More than three months have elapsed since the filing of the above-referenced application and/or a first (non-Final) Official Action has been received. No Final Action or Notice of Allowance has yet been received and it is presumed that none has yet been mailed. Accordingly, as more specifically indicated below, a statement as required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(c) is provided herewith.

#### **STATEMENT**

The undersigned hereby states that each item of information disclosed in the Information Disclosure Statement was first cited in any communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of the Information Disclosure Statement.

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